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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (*in duplicate*);
2. PTO Form 1449 listing the cited references AL1, AR1 and AS1;
3. Copy of the cited references AL1, AR1 and AS1; and
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Respectfully submitted,

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